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In re Application of:

Artur E. Balasinski, et al.

Serial No. 09/608,158

Filing Date: June 30, 2000

For Scheme for Improving the
Predictability and/or Reliability of
Photolithographic Images

Examiner Kandasamy Thangavelu

Group Art Unit No. 2123

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

M.S. - A.F.
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of April 20, 2004 Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

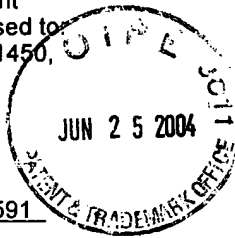
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is:

- ☒ Amendment and Request for Reconsideration
☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity		or	Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee		Rate	Addit. Fee
Total		Minus		0	x 9 =	\$		x 18 =	\$ 0
Indep.		Minus		0	x 42 =	\$		x 86 =	\$ 0
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Total Additional Fee						\$		Total	\$ 0

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication not covered by check or credit card payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3123. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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